

# Membership Fee for Utah in the Phoenix Correspondence Commission - Facilitating an Article V Convention of States.

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## Requester Information

**Legislator: Christofferson, Kay J.**

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## Section 1: Request Details

### Description:

A simulated convention was convened in 2017 in Phoenix, Arizona to propose rules and procedures in preparation for a future Convention of States. Several Utah Legislators attended. The Convention is the way States can convene to discuss possible amendments to the Constitution of the United States, such as a fiscal responsibility amendment to control our national indebtedness. The effort was extended in order to follow up on these efforts and was formalized as the Phoenix Correspondence Commission in 2021-22. The Commission meets 3-4 times/year and employs one part-time employee. Each State is asked to pitch in \$50,000 or whatever they can to accelerate this work. Arizona has funded \$50,000 to help initiate the Commission.

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## Section 2: Funding Information

### How will the appropriation be used?

	One-time	Ongoing
Personnel Services	2024: \$0.00 2025: \$0.00	\$0.00
In-State Travel	2024: \$0.00 2025: \$0.00	\$0.00
Out-of-state Travel	2024: \$0.00 2025: \$0.00	\$0.00
Supplies and Equipment	2024: \$0.00 2025: \$0.00	\$0.00
Technology Purchases	2024: \$0.00 2025: \$0.00	\$0.00

Infrastructure/Capital Investments	2024: \$0.00 2025: \$0.00	\$0.00
Other Charges/Pass Thru	2024: \$50,000.00 2025: \$0.00	\$50,000.00
<b>Expenditure Total</b>		
One-time 2024	One-time 2025	Ongoing 2025
\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00

### Funding Sources:

#### General Fund

- Amount Requested 2024 (One-time) \$50,000.00
- Amount Requested 2025 (One-time) \$0.00
- Amount Requested 2025 (Ongoing) \$50,000.00

#### Revenue Total

One-time 2024	One-time 2025	Ongoing 2025
\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00

### Should unused funding be returned to the state at the end of the fiscal year?

No

### Is this project scalable if the Legislature does not fund the full requested amount?

Yes

## A short explanation describing how the project might be scaled

Anything will help! I think a minimum would be \$5,000. We have been asked to appropriate more to accelerate the work.

## Section 3: Agency Information

### Subjects:

Government Administration

### Agency:

010 / Legislature

### Type of entity to receive pass-through funding

- State Government

## Section 4: Performance Outcome Measurement

### Who would benefit from this request (who is the target audience)?

This would prevent the Federal Government from financial collapse under the weight of the national debt. Every citizen would benefit from this.

### What is this project or program intended to accomplish?

We will have met our goal when the States are able to be called into Convention, under Article V, to propose a fiscal responsibility amendment to the US Constitution.

### How will the Legislature know whether the project or program achieved its intended purpose?

When the States have met in Convention, under Article V, to discuss an amendment to the US Constitution for Fiscal Responsibility.

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## **Section 5: Other Supporting Documents**

**Intent Language**

**Previous State Funding**